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641—202.5(135) Organizational procedures.

- **202.5(1)** The presence of four members of the council shall constitute a quorum.
- **202.5(2)** The chairperson and all other council members present shall cast votes or abstain, as the case may be, on all council action. No proxy votes shall be allowed.
- **202.5(3)** A vote of a majority of those present shall be necessary to take action on any motion before the council. A tie vote shall mean no action on the motion.
- **202.5(4)** The council shall, at the July meeting of each odd-numbered year, elect a vice-chairperson, who shall perform the duties of the chairperson in the absence of the chairperson, when the chairperson has a conflict of interest or when the chairperson so directs.
- **202.5(5)** A council member shall refrain from participating in an application review process if the member:
 - a. Has a personal bias or prejudice concerning the applicant;
- b. Has acted as counsel to the applicant or a competitor of the applicant in the same or adjoining county within the past two years;
- c. Has a financial interest in the outcome of the application process or any other significant personal interest that could be substantially affected by the outcome of the case;
- d. Has a spouse or relative within the third degree of relationship that (1) is affiliated with or represents the applicant or a competitor of the applicant in the same or adjoining county; (2) has a known financial or significant personal interest which could be substantially affected by the outcome of the application process; or (3) is likely to testify on behalf of the applicant or an affected person at public hearing; or
- *e.* Has any other legally sufficient cause to refrain from participating in the application review process.